

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L TEL AVIV 10301

E.O.11652: GDS  
TAGS: SHUM, ICRC, IS  
SUBJ: ISRAELI COMMUNIQUE ON ICRC ACCESS TO SECURITY DETAINEES

REF: TEL AVIV 9931

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1. THE GOI PRESS OFFICE ON DECEMBER 6 PUBLISHED THE  
FOLLOWING COMMUNIQUE ON THE SUBJECT OF ICRC ACCESS TO SECURITY  
DETAINEES IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES.

2. BEGIN TEXT: ISRAEL RECENTLY INFORMED THE INTERNATIONAL  
COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS OF SUBSTANTIAL EXTENSION OF  
THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR VISITS BY ICRC DELEGATES TO SECURITY  
DETAINEES IN THE TERRITORIES. ACCORDING TO THE NEW  
ARRANGEMENTS, THE MILITARY GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES WILL  
NOTIFY THE ICRC OF THE ARREST OF SECURITY DETAINEES  
WITHIN FOURTEEN DAYS OF THE ARREST AND AN ICRC DELEGATE  
WILL BE ENTITLED TO VISIT WITHOUT WITNESSES EVERY SUCH  
DETAINEE WITHIN THAT PERIOD IN ORDER TO ASCERTAIN  
THE DETAINEE'S HEALTH. AFTER THE VISIT, IF THE  
ICRC DELEGATE SO REQUESTS, THE DETAINEE MAY PROMPTLY  
BE EXAMINED WITHOUT WITNESSES, BY A RED CROSS PHYSICIAN.  
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AGREEMENT HAS BEEN REACHED AS TO VISITS IN SPECIAL CIR-  
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MTHIN LESS THAN FOURTEEN DAYS FROM ARREST.  
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3. COMMENT: THE COMMUNIQUE IS A BIT AMBIGUOUS. THE SECOND SENTENCE SPEAKS OF THE ICRC'S RIGHT TO VISIT EVERY DETAINEE "WITHIN THAT PERIOD" (OF FOURTEEN DAYS), BUT THE FOURTH SENTENCE SPEAKS OF VISITS "IN SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES WITHIN LESS THAN FOURTEEN DAYS." AN ICRC CONTACT TOLD US DECEMBER 7 THAT THEY EXPECT IN MOST CASES TO BE ENTITLED TO VISIT DETAINEES ON THE FOURTEENTH DAY (AND/OR ANY TIME THEREAFTER). HE ADDED THAT THE PRACTICAL MEANING OF "SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES" IS SOMETHING THAT WILL BECOME CLEARER AS THE NEW AGREEMENT IS IMPLEMENTED IN THE MONTHS AHEAD.  
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